



## PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Hideaki HARA Group Art Unit: 2882

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For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE FABRICATION METHOD

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114. No certification or fee is required.
- 2. An Office Action was issued in U.S. Application No. 11/701,378. A copy of the Office Action is submitted for the Examiner's consideration as Reference 1.

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